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INFO AMEMBASSY ABU DHABI

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SUBJECT: SOVIET MILITARY SALES TO KUWAIT AND MASIRAH ISLAND

1. KUWAIT TIMES FEBRUARY 12 CARRIES REPORT, DATELINED BAHRAIN, QUOTING FROM INTERVIEW ALLEGEDLY GIVEN BAHRAININ WEEKLY "SAADA AL USBOU" BY KUWAIT FORMIN SABAH AL AHMAD. SHAIKH SABAH IS QUOTED AS SAYING SOVIET UNION HAD REFUSED SUPPLY KUWAIT WITH ARMS OR LIST OF WEAPONS, ALTHOUGH THESE WEAPONS WERE MEANT TO BE GIVEN TO CONFRONTATION STATES.

2. SHAIKH SABAH ALSO REPORTEDLY SAID GOK OPPOSED GRANTING OF BASE RIGHTS TO USG ON MASIRAH ISLAND AND THAT HE HAD "ASKED KUWAITI AMBASSADOR IN MUSCAT TO MAKE OUR VIEWS FULLY KNOWN TO THE OMAN GOVERNMENT, THAT WE ARE AGAINST SUCH MILITARY BASE FACILITIES ON MASIRAH FOR ANY FOREIGN POWER, WHETHER THE US, OR BRITAIN OR ANY OTHER POWERS."

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3. WE WILL TAKE FURTHER EARLY OPPORTUNITY PUT GOK STRAIGHT ON
OUT INTENTIONS RE MASIRAH.
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